Governor's Eugenics Compensation Task Force Minutes

(The Governor's Task Force to Determine the Method of Compensation for Victims of North Carolina's Eugenics Board, Henceforth Referred to as 'The Task Force')

Wednesday, April 27, 2011

Authorization of the Task Force:

The Governor's Task Force to Determine the Method of Compensation for Victims of North Carolina's Eugenics Board, henceforth referred to as 'The Task Force' was created and authorized by Executive Order 83 on March 8th, 2011. According to the Governor's Executive Order 83, the primary duties of the Task Force are:

- 1. Recommend possible methods or forms of compensation to those persons forcibly sterilized under the North Carolina Eugenics Board program,
- 2. Evaluate recommendations from previous commissions regarding the North Carolina Eugenics Board program and sterilization victims, and
- 3. Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Governor.

The Task Force will meet monthly or upon the call of the Chair. It is required to submit its preliminary report to the Governor by August 1, 2011 and its final report by February 1, 2012. The Departments of Administration, Cultural Resources and Health and Human Services are required by the Executive Order to collaborate and support the efforts of the Task Force.

Task Force members:

Physician: Dr. Laura Gerald, *Chair*Attorney: Demetrius Worley Berry, JD

Historian: Dr. Lenwood G. Davis

Retired Judge: Fetzer Mills, JD Former Journalist: Phoebe Zerwick

Minutes

The Governor's Task Force to Determine the Method of Compensation for Victims of North Carolina's Eugenics Board convened for its first meeting on Wednesday, April 27th, 2011 at 10am. The meeting was held at the Governor's Crime Commission Conference Room located at 1201 Front Street, Suite 200 in Raleigh, North Carolina.

The meeting was called to order by Task Force Chair, Dr. Laura Gerald at 10:05 a.m., and the five-member panel introduced themselves followed by introductions from Foundation staff and Department staff. All Task Force members were present at the meeting and the meeting was also attended by the following: